



Agency of Human Services
**Department of Disabilities, Aging, and
Independent Living**

SENATE HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

FY 14 Budget Testimony

April 4, 2014

Four Divisions

- Blind and Visually Impaired (DBVI)
- Disability and Aging Services (DDAS)
- Licensing and Protection (DLP)
- Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)
- 283 positions (net 2 from FY 13; 3 APS - 1 VR)

Network of Long Term Service and Supports (LTSS) Community Partners*

- Family caregivers, independent support workers, shared living providers
- Designated Agencies (DAs) and Specialized service agencies (SSAs)
- Area Agencies on Aging
- Home Health Agencies
- Adult Day Providers
- Assisted living, (enhanced) residential care, nursing homes
- HomeShare, SASH, Non-medical private home providers (“the Insteads”)

*not a complete list of all who contribute to our network

Major Programs

For people who are blind or visually impaired

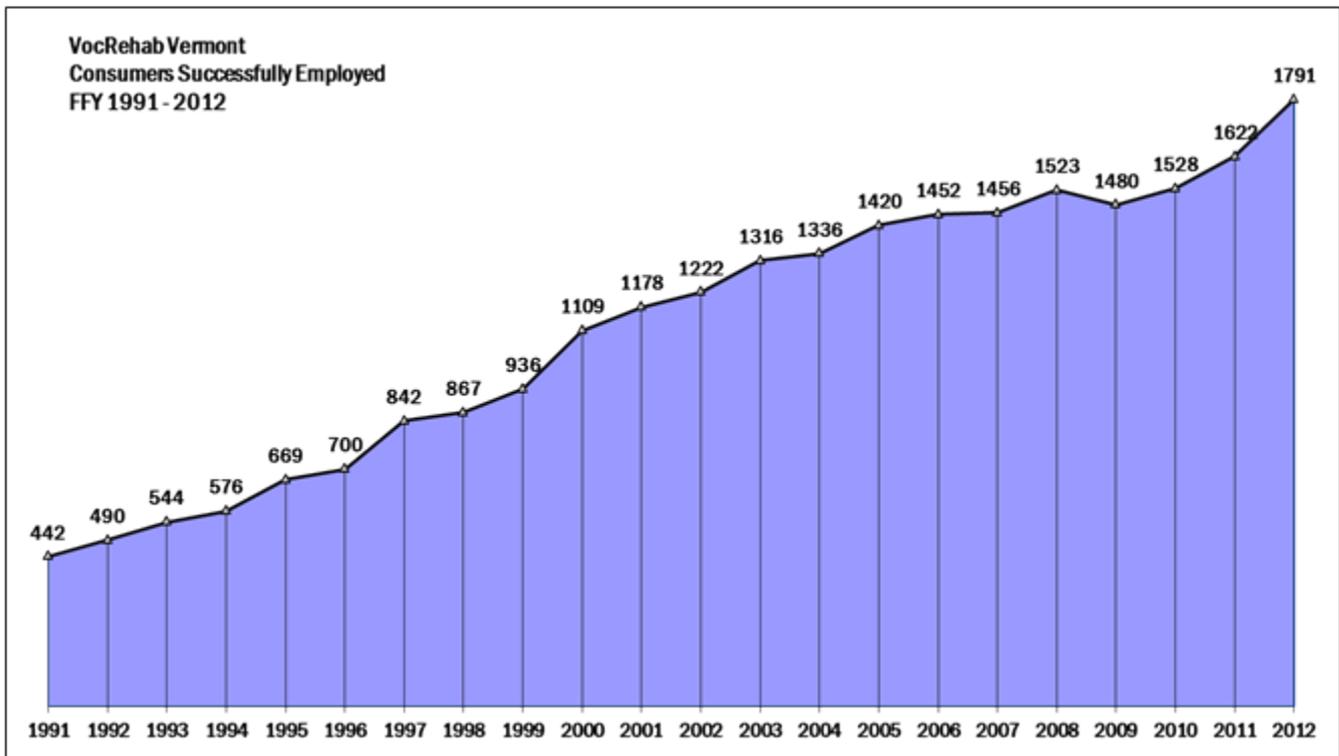
- DBVI 457 individuals
 - Employment and Vision Rehabilitation
 - Independent Living Services
 - Randolph /Sheppard Program

- Outcomes
 - Rehab Rate 77%/national average 67%
 - Gross earnings increased 1%

 - No change in FY14 budget

Voc Rehab VT

- Gets and keeps Vermonters working
- DVR led Creative Workforce Solutions (CWS), an AHS initiative that has filled gaps in employment services by eliminating the barriers between service providers and becoming an active partner with employers.
- Successful employment outcomes have increased 19 of the past 20 years, with 1,791 Vermonters working as a result of our efforts in FFY12.



Division of Licensing and Protection

- Survey and Certification
 - Conducted 68 full surveys
 - Investigated 537 complaints on site
 - Maintained goals for survey completion rates
- Adult Protective Services
 - Completed investigations of 1,358 allegations of abuse, neglect and exploitation

No changes other than technical adjustments

- Voc Rehab
- Traumatic Brain Injuries* (71 people)
- Attendant Services Program* (214 people)
- Division for Blind and Visually Impaired (457 people)
- Division of Licensing and Protection

*3% Medicaid Bump

Two primary budget drivers

- FY14 Recommend
 - Choices for Care (DVHA) **\$177,452,570**
 - (Long term care portion only)
 - Developmental Services **\$170,247,699**

Major Programs: DDAS

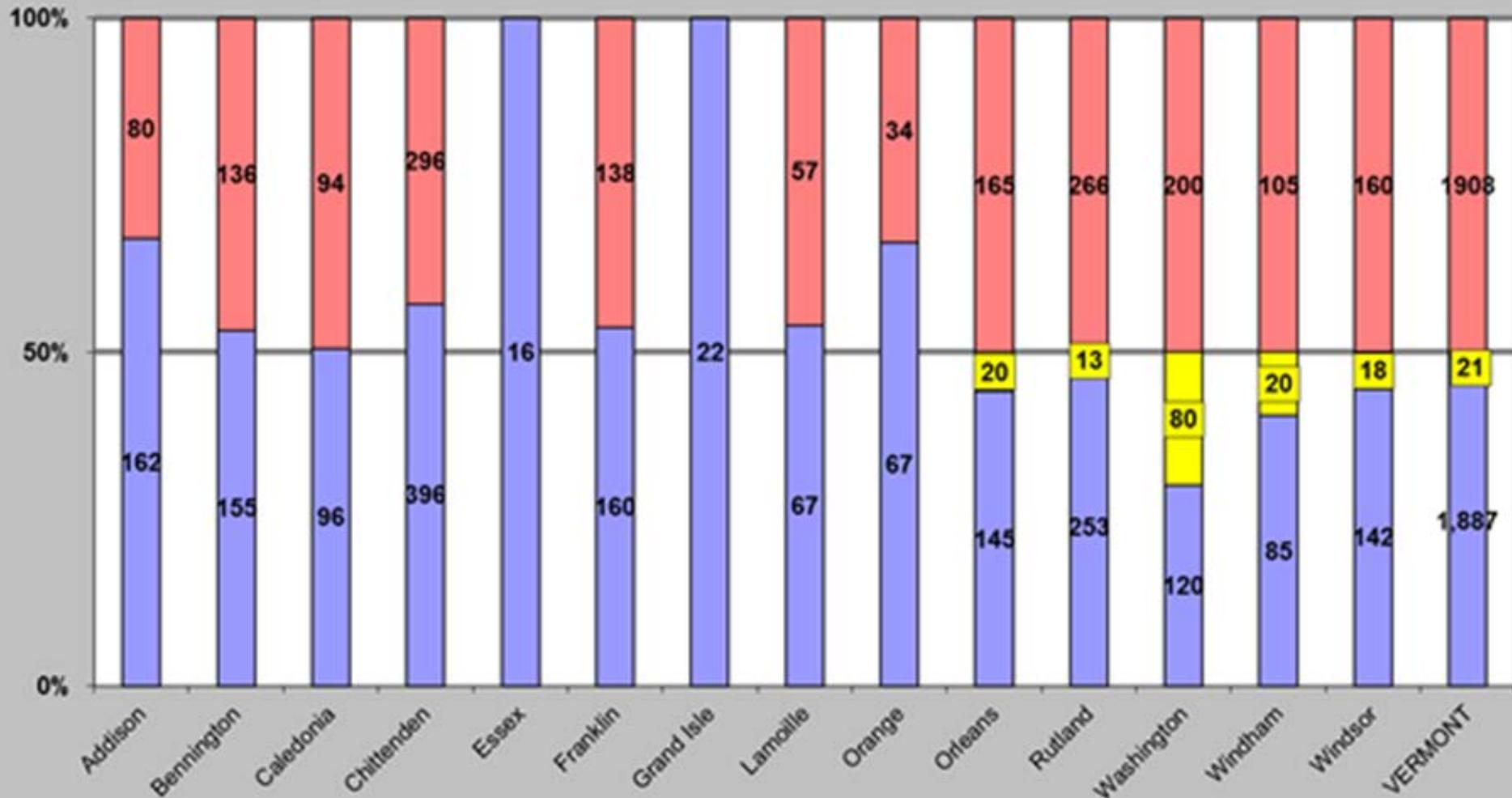
For people who are aging or have a disability

- Choices for Care 1115 Demonstration Waiver
 - Support people to live in the settings of their choice:
 - Own homes, home-share, assisted living, enhanced residential care, nursing homes
 - 7, 595 Vermonters served in SFY12
 - Original goal 60:40 → 50:50
 - Serving more people than when waiver began in 2005
 - Consumer satisfaction >90% in most areas

Vermont Choices for Care: Nursing Home Residents and Home & Community-Based Participants by County, October 2012

Changes (Yellow) Needed to Achieve At Least 50% HCBS

data source: CFC enrollment database



■ Number of Medicaid Nursing Home Residents Less Than or Equal to 50/50

■ Number of Medicaid Nursing Home Residents in Excess of 50/50

■ Number of HCBS Participants (includes ERC but excludes Moderate Needs Group)

Bennington and VERMONT figures exclude Medicaid residents in VT Veterans' Home (n=94).

NF and ERC figures are based on current recorded residence, and often do not reflect county of residence prior to admission.

VT residents in out of state facilities (n=42) included in VERMONT.

Measurable goals

- In July 2011 CFC served a total of 4,765 people; in July 2012 CFC served a total of 5,003 people. This represents an increase of 238 people; in HCBS/ERC the increase was 191 people. Both numbers exceed the annual threshold of 100.
- In this way, we are meeting the goal of our Demonstration Waiver ***to serve more people***, not fewer, by allowing and ***encouraging more home-based services***

Re-investment

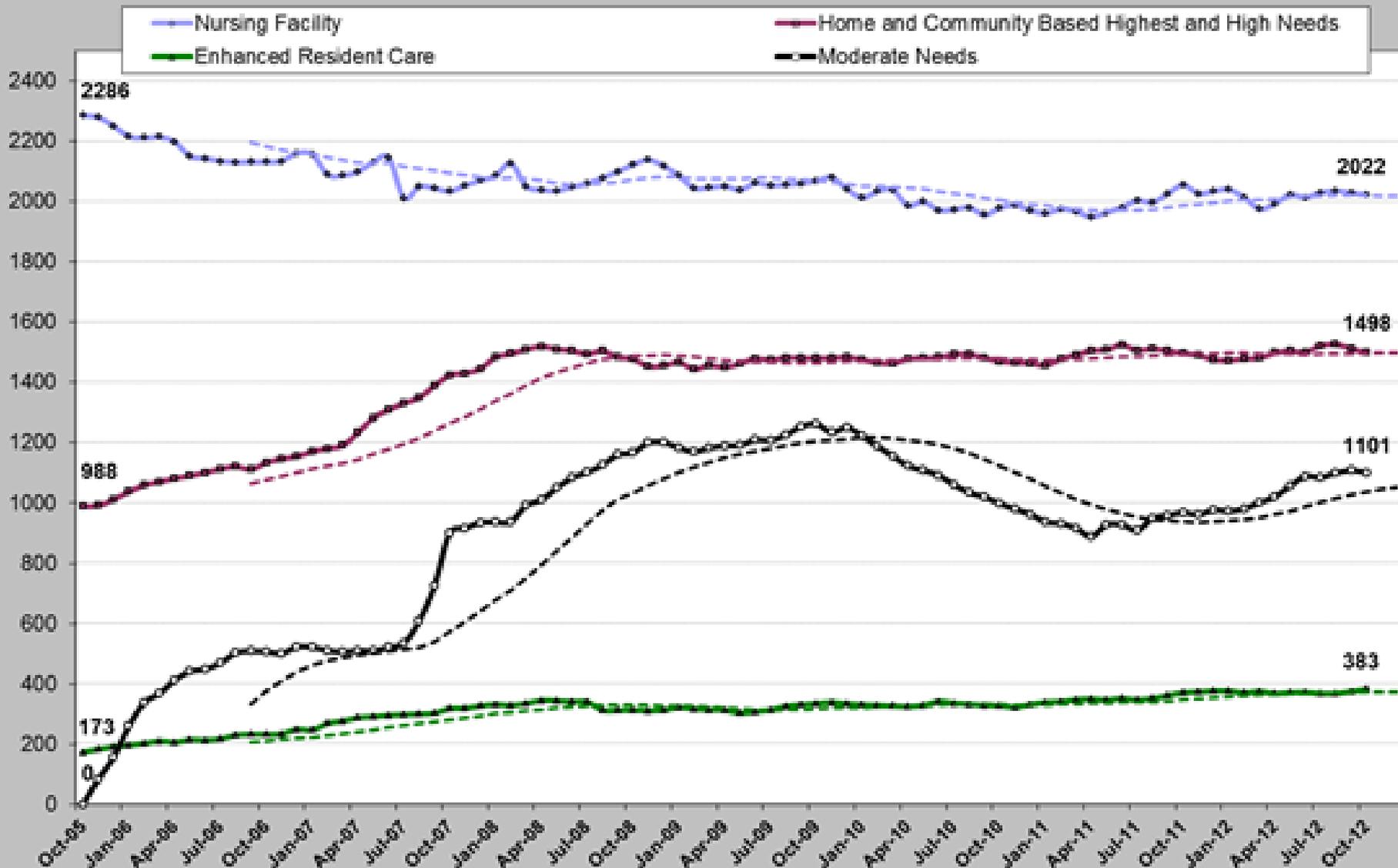
- Enrollment and utilization trends have contributed to CFC savings in the past four years.
- Savings = difference between amount appropriated and expenses + obligated funds
- Budget neutrality = remaining under a negotiated cap
 - \$1.2 B over 5 years (CMS does not annualize in CFC)
 - CFC Waiver years 1-7 \$500M under CAP
- Unexpended funds in SFY 12 → SFY13
 - Carry-forward for unanticipated pressures (such as closing of PACE)
 - Strategic Reinvestments
 - Stabilize existing provider network, including family caregivers
 - Fill gaps
 - Expand

Choices for Care: Annual Appropriations and Expenses sfy2005 - sfy2012

Does not include acute care/primary care expenses.



**Choices for Care: Total Number of Enrolled Participants by Setting
SFY 2006 - SFY 2013**



Choices for Care

FY 14 recommend

FY13 Base (non-acute)	\$174.8M
• Net changes FY14	2.6M
• Pressures \$6.7M	
– Annualized re-investments \$2M	
– Statutory NF increase \$3M	
– Medicaid Bump \$1.7M	
• Projected decrease NF utilization	(\$2.4M)
• Planned carry forward	(\$1.7M)

Choices for Care Reinvestments SFY13 - using SFY12 Carryforward funds

	Current Appropriation DVHA - LTC	<u>Gross</u>	<u>General Fund</u>
1)	Eliminate proposed FY13 budget reductions	\$779,979	\$339,837
2)	Increase Assistive Community Care Services (ACCS) rate by \$1/day (\$36.25/day to \$37.25/day)	\$350,000	\$152,495
3)	Restore the 2% rate reduction in ERC	\$156,000	\$67,969
4)	Increase wages by 15 cents/hour		
	a. For consumer and surrogate-directed personal care/respite	\$292,922	\$127,626
	b. Attendant Services Program (General Fund)	\$39,657	\$39,657
	c. Attendant Services Program (Global Commitment)	\$28,434	\$12,389
5)	Self-Neglect Initiative	\$350,000	\$152,495
6)	Eliminate 2009 2% rate reduction/providers	\$847,918	\$369,438
7)	Area Agencies on Aging for supportive services, family caregivers, elder abuse, nutrition (one-time grants to 3 AAA)	\$164,453	\$164,453
8)	Mental Health and Aging Initiative	\$225,000	\$98,033
9)	Day Health Rehabilitation Services- increase rate by 2% (\$14.72/hour to \$15.00/hour)	\$30,000	\$13,071
10)	SFY13 Budget Obligation	\$2,500,000	\$1,089,251
11)	Remainder for SFY13 Unanticipated pressures	\$1,632,591	\$711,320
		\$7,396,954	\$3,338,033

Developmental Disabilities Services

- Developmental Disabilities Services are provided by Designated and Specialized Services Agencies with the ***goal of cost-effective, integrated community living.***
- Vermonters with developmental disabilities continue to be served in the community at a cost to the state that is lower than the other New England states and the national average.
- 2,647 through waiver
- 1,076 people Flexible Family Funding
- FY14 recommend (\$8M over base) \$165.2M
- FY13 Base \$157.2M

Developmental Service Grants

• DS Caseload		
– FY13 Base		\$157.2M
– FY13 BAA		3.0M
– FY 14 Caseload		7.5 M
– Policy/Design changes		<u>(\$2.5M)</u>
– Total		\$165.2 M
• Non-DS caseload SFI/CCC (15) from BAA		\$1.9M
• Other (ARIS, Autism, IFS, Bump)		\$3.1M
• FY14 changes		<u>\$13.0 M</u>
• Total recommend	=	\$170,247,699

DS Summary

- DAIL is projecting a need to fund 365 clients in SFY 2014.
- The total estimated cost is \$11,394,061. We are estimating that we can fund \$3,910,216 with existing base dollars called Equity Revenue.
- That means the total new dollars needed is \$7,483,845,
- Regular caseload is very close to a 50/50 split while Public Safety is 28% new and 72% existing.
- Over the last three years 55% HS Grad funding has gone to new clients and 45% existing clients